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## SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Dear Sir or Madam:

We believe that you violated the Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. § 2131 et seq.) (AWA), as described in the attached Settlement Agreement. Our agency, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), is responsible for enforcing the AWA, and other agriculture laws that help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases, and ensure the welfare of animals.

After providing you with an opportunity for a hearing, we may impose civil penalties of up to \$10,000, or other sanctions, for each violation described in this Settlement Agreement. We are offering you the opportunity to resolve this matter by paying an amount that is much lower than the maximum civil penalty.

*What are the terms of the Settlement Agreement?*

You should review the information in this Settlement Agreement, including the citation and notification of penalty.

If you agree to waive your right to a hearing and pay the penalty, then do the following:

- Pay the amount due, \$8,571, by **August 31, 2012**. You can pay by check, money order, or credit card. For your convenience, we have included additional instructions for making payments.
- If you are unable to pay the full amount due by **August 31, 2012**, you may be eligible for a payment plan. To request a payment plan, you must use the enclosed form to submit a written response to this letter by **August 31, 2012**, that indicates you wish to pay the penalty and waive your right to a hearing. You must also submit a copy of your most recent federal tax return. As part of your response, please include a phone number and an email address so that we may contact you.



*What are my other options?*

If you do not agree with the terms of this Settlement Agreement, submit a written request for a hearing, with your Reference Number, to our office by **August 31, 2012**, at 4700 River Rd., Unit 85, Riverdale, MD, 20737.

*What happens if I fail to respond?*

If we do not receive a payment or hearing request from you by **August 31, 2012**, we will forward this matter to our Office of the General Counsel for litigation.

*What should I do if I need help?*

If you have any questions concerning this letter, contact Sherri Sirotkin at (301) 851-2802, or call our main office at (301) 851-2948.

Sincerely,



Robert J. Huttenlocker  
Director  
Investigative and Enforcement Services



### **CITATION AND NOTIFICATION OF PENALTY**

We believe that you violated the Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. § 2131 et seq.) (AWA), as described below.

**Date of Violation: August 3, 2010**

**9 C.F.R. § 2.33 (b)(3) Adequate veterinary care**

Upon inspection on August 3, 2010, APHIS observed several kid goats with dried fecal matter in their perianal area, including 2 that were very thin. You had failed to communicate with the attending veterinarian about the animals' condition and appropriate treatment. A necropsy of one of the kid goats revealed it was positive for coccidial oocysts.

**Date of Violation: August 3, 2010**

**9 C.F.R. § 2.33(b)(2) Adequate veterinary care to include: The use of appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose and treat diseases and injuries.**

You failed to remove expired medications from treatment areas. The use of expired materials is not considered adequate veterinary care.